

and flowers, and fish, and birds, and the clouds, and sun, and moon, and stars. He made this world, and all that is in it, in six days; and when he made it, every thing was very good and beautiful.

“God is good, and he hates every thing that is evil. He made every thing to be happy; and when he made Adam and Eve, who were the first people, and the father and mother of all the people in the world, he placed them in a garden, called Eden, where every thing about them was very delightful, and there was nothing to hurt or make them afraid.

“The garden was a thousand times more beautiful than this; and Adam and Eve lived in it, and every thing grew without the aid of labor; nor did they need any house, the garden was so pleasant.”

“When did Adam and Eve live there?” asked Mary.

“They were made a long time ago,” said Uncle John: “Adam, and Eve his wife, had no father or mother, for God made them out of the dust of the earth; and thus God is the father of all people. All the world, and every thing in it, were made for Adam and Eve; and they were made to have power over the other animals, and to be perfectly happy. There was no sickness